## **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION (LA County CRC)**

CRC MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING: Wednesday, December 15, 2021, 5:00 pm

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## **Agenda**

### AGENDA ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER

Thai V. Le, Los Angeles County Citizens Redistricting Commission (LA County CRC) Clerk, called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. He reviewed the process for the public to select either English or Spanish access to interpreters.

### AGENDA ITEM 2: ROLL CALL

LA County CRC's Resolution No. 2021-03 enables the Commission to meet virtually in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e)(3) to extend the time during which the Commission may continue to teleconference its meeting without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of section 54953 because of COVID-19 pandemic and health issues.

# ATTENTION ALL PARTICIPANTS

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## ATENCION TODOS LOS PARTICIPANTES

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Thai V. Le took roll call. A quorum was present.

Yes	Commissioner Jean Franklin	Yes	Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura
Yes	Commissioner David Holtzman	Yes	Commissioner Hailes Soto
Yes	Commissioner Mary Kenney	Yes	Commissioner Saira Soto
Yes	Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda	Yes	Commissioner Brian Stecher
Yes	Commissioner Mark Mendoza	Yes	Commissioner John Vento
Yes	Commissioner Apolonio Morales	Yes	Co-Chair Carolyn Williams
Yes	Commissioner Nelson Obregon	Yes	Commissioner Doreena Wong



#### AGENDA ITEM 3: APPROVAL OF AGENDA – CO-CHAIR CAROLYN WILLIAMS

The agenda was accepted with one change. The Consent Items – approval of the minutes would be moved to after Agenda Item 6, "Action/ Discussion Items."

### **AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### 5b. Presentation of Legal Assessment of Final Map by Bruce Adelson, Esq.

Bruce Adelson provided an overview of his report. Commissioners asked questions of clarification. Commissioner Apolonio Morales provided a correction to the Racially Polarized Voting Analysis report on page 5, clarifying that George Gascón, district attorney of Los Angeles County, was Cuban-American (born in Havana, Cuba), not White.

## Public comment – see recordings on "VIDEO FILE FOR ENTIRE MEETING POSTED" at the start of the minutes:

- 1. Chris Rowe
- 2. John Mendoza

## 5b. Discussion and Potential Approval of Resolution Adopting Final Map

The final map is posted on the LA County CRC website: <a href="https://redistricting.lacounty.gov/">https://redistricting.lacounty.gov/</a>. It can also be found on the redistricting hub (<a href="https://redistricting-lacounty.hub.arcgis.com/">https://redistricting-lacounty.hub.arcgis.com/</a>)

**NOTE:** Members of the public interested in viewing submitted plans in the redistricting mapping software can follow the instructions in this <u>video</u> once logged into the <u>redistricting mapping software</u>. Viewing the submitted plans in the mapping software allows for a more in-depth exploration of the plans, including identifying specific communities and cities. Members of the public can also use the software to save their own version of the draft maps, make modifications, and submit for the public and Commissioners to view.

Holly Whatley, Independent Legal Counsel, reviewed the red-lined changes made to the draft Resolution for Adopting the Final Map. The Commissioners asked questions of clarification.

Thai V. Le explained the request to move RDU0504 from SD 5 to SD 1 to keep Thai Town whole.



## Move RDU0504 from SD5 to SD1

Total Population	3,261
Latinx/Hispanic Population	527
NH White Population	2,133
NH Black Population	171
NH Asian Population	364



## Public comment – see recordings on "VIDEO FILE FOR ENTIRE MEETING POSTED" at the start of the minutes:

Co-Chair Dan Mayeda set a time limit on public comment of 60 minutes. Everyone who signed up to make public comment had the opportunity to make public comments

- 1. John Leonard, City of West Hollywood
- 2. Amy Wong, ActiveSGV
- 3. David Diaz, Active SGV, El Monte
- 4. David Wilson, City Manager, City of West Hollywood
- 5. Jessica Pandura, Eastside resident, InnerCity Struggle, People's Bloc
- 6. Keren Waters, Granada Hills North Neighborhood Council, North SFV, SD 5
- Chris Rowe
- 8. Wendi Gladstone, Santa Susana Mountain Park Association wants to be in SD 5
- 9. Maria Brenes
- 10. Caller in 3397 on La Verne and the Fairplex
- 11. Caller in 4264, Granada Hills resident wants NW SFV in SD 5
- 12. Caller in 1961, Deena Fisher, Chatsworth Town Council wants NW SFV in SD 5
- 13. William Slocum, Kagel Canyon Civic Association wants NW SFV in SD 5
- 14. John Luker, President, Save Chatsworth, Inc. wants an investigation



- 15. Karen Barnett, Atwater Village has little flood water protection from the river
- 16. Don Larson, Northridge resident wants NW SFV in SD 5
- 17. Jacky Contreras, Community Coalition and People's Bloc
- 18. Richard Fisk
- 19. Austin Cyr opposed to moving Hollywood Bowl from SD 3 to SD 5
- 20. Bryant Edwards (BE) Los Feliz resident; wants to keep Los Feliz whole
- 21. Doug Williams, Treasurer with Hollywood Heights Association involved with the Hollywood Bowl now moved from SD 3 to SD 5
- 22. Rosa Soto
- 23. Marcia Hanscom, Defend Ballona Wetlands
- 24. Nicholas Montano
- 25. Cherokee-lar O'Dea 4<sup>th</sup> generation in Northern SFV; wants NW SFV in SD 5
- 26. Caller in 3889 (Dana Flack?) wants NW SFV in SD 5
- 27. Mehmet Berker, staff in Los Angeles City CD 4 concerns about boundaries between SD 3 and SD 5; should follow the 101 and LA River
- 28. Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker, AME Church, moving SD 5 from SFV has served on two LA City council redistricting commissions
- 29. Carrie Ungermab, Studio City resident
- 30. Rob Quan, Unrig LA
- 31. Vicki

Commissioner discussions – see recordings on "VIDEO FILE FOR ENTIRE MEETING POSTED" at the start of the minutes: The Commissioners shared their thoughts in a round-robin format.

### Motion 1 – Thai Town RDU in Los Feliz (Failed)

A motion was made and seconded to move the RDU that is part of Los Feliz in SD 5 to SD 3 to keep Thai Town whole. The Commissioners discussed the motion. Co-Chair Carolyn Williams called the question.

Motion:	Move the RDU that is part of Los Feliz in SD 5 to SD 3 to keep Thai Town whole	
Motion Made:	Commissioner Doreena Wong	
Motion Seconded:	Commissioner Jean Franklin	
Outcome:	Failed	

Yes	Commissioner Jean Franklin	Yes	Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura
No	Commissioner David Holtzman	No	Commissioner Hailes Soto
No	Commissioner Mary Kenney	Yes	Commissioner Saira Soto
No	Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda	No	Commissioner Brian Stecher



No	Commissioner Mark Mendoza	No	Commissioner John Vento
Yes	Commissioner Apolonio Morales	No	Co-Chair Carolyn Williams
No	Commissioner Nelson Obregon	Yes	Commissioner Doreena Wong

#### Motion Withdrawn

Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura proposed a motion regarding Peck Park in Arcadia in the SGV. Thai V. Le displayed the map. Holly Whatley explained the implications of the proposed change; it would split a city. Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura withdrew her motion.

### Motion 2 – Adopt Resolution to Adopt Final Map (Passed)

The Commissioners discussed the Final Map and the process for developing it. A motion was made and seconded to approve the resolution for adopting the final map. The Commissioners shared their thoughts in a round-robin format.

Motion:	Approve resolution for adopting the final map	
Motion Made:	Co-Chair Carolyn Williams	
Motion Seconded:	Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda	
Outcome:	Approved	

Yes	Commissioner Jean Franklin	Yes	Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura
Yes	Commissioner David Holtzman	Yes	Commissioner Hailes Soto
Yes	Commissioner Mary Kenney	Yes	Commissioner Saira Soto
Yes	Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda	Yes	Commissioner Brian Stecher
Yes	Commissioner Mark Mendoza	Yes	Commissioner John Vento
Yes	Commissioner Apolonio Morales	Yes	Co-Chair Carolyn Williams
Yes	Commissioner Nelson Obregon	Abstain	Commissioner Doreena Wong

## 5c. Discussion and Potential Approval of Resolution Adopting Final Report

Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough gave an overview of the Final Report. Holly Whatley explained the accompanying Resolution.

## Public comment – see recordings on "VIDEO FILE FOR ENTIRE MEETING POSTED" at the start of the minutes:

- 1. Chris Rowe
- 2. Rob Quan

## Motion 1 – Approve the Final Report (Passed)

Holly Whatley discussed the need to substitute a revised Bruce Adelson report (in Part C: Appendices) to address typos, although the content of the report would remain unchained.



A motion was made and seconded, including the later replacement of the Bruce Adelson report with typos addressed. The Commissioners discussed the motion.

Motion:	Approve resolution for adopting the final report and authorize staff to substitute Bruce Adelson's	
	report and make corrections as needed	
Motion Made:	Co-Chair Carolyn Williams	
Motion Seconded:	Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda	
Outcome:	Approved	

Yes	Commissioner Jean Franklin	Yes	Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura
Yes	Commissioner David Holtzman	Yes	Commissioner Hailes Soto
Yes	Commissioner Mary Kenney	Yes	Commissioner Saira Soto
Yes	Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda	Yes	Commissioner Brian Stecher
Yes	Commissioner Mark Mendoza	Yes	Commissioner John Vento
Yes	Commissioner Apolonio Morales	Yes	Co-Chair Carolyn Williams
Yes	Commissioner Nelson Obregon	Yes	Commissioner Doreena Wong

## AGENDA ITEM 4: CONSENT ITEMS - CO-CHAIR DAN MAYEDA - moved to follow Agenda Item 6

Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda indicated that Agenda Item 4 entailed the review and appropriate action on the minutes for: December 11, 2021, and December 12, 2021.

## Motion 1 – Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of December 11 and 12, 2021. The motion passed.

Motion:	Approve the minutes of December 11 and 12, 2021	
Motion Made:	Commissioner Apolonio Morales	
Motion Seconded:	Commissioner Jean Franklin	
Outcome:	Approved	

Dec. 11 minutes		Dec. 12 minutes	
Abstain	Commissioner Jean Franklin	Yes	Commissioner Jean Franklin
Yes	Commissioner David Holtzman	Yes	Commissioner David Holtzman
Yes <sup>1</sup>	Commissioner Mary Kenney	Yes	Commissioner Mary Kenney
Yes	Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda	Yes	Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda
Yes	Commissioner Mark Mendoza	Yes	Commissioner Mark Mendoza
Yes	Commissioner Apolonio Morales	Yes	Commissioner Apolonio Morales
Yes	Commissioner Nelson Obregon	Yes	Commissioner Nelson Obregon

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In attendance for 80% of the meeting; had to leave for the last part of the meeting.



Abstain	Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura	Yes	Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura
Abstain	Commissioner Hailes Soto	Yes	Commissioner Hailes Soto
Yes	Commissioner Saira Soto	Yes	Commissioner Saira Soto
Abstain	Commissioner Brian Stecher	Yes	Commissioner Brian Stecher
Yes	Commissioner John Vento	Abstain	Commissioner John Vento
Yes	Co-Chair Carolyn Williams	Yes	Co-Chair Carolyn Williams
Yes	Commissioner Doreena Wong	Yes	Commissioner Doreena Wong

## AGENDA ITEM 6: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough, Ph.D.

Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough congratulated the Commissioners on their year-long journey and successful adoption of a final map and accompanying final report.

# **Congratulations**

## AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT - Co-Chair Dan Mayeda

Co-Chair Mayeda adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.



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